1984

83rd Season REGIONAL OPEN SHOW May 5th through May 13th

60th ANNUAL SPRING EXHIBITION
May 19th through June 17th

83rd ANNUAL SUMMER EXHIBITION
June 23rd through July 29th

52nd ANNUAL MEMBERS EXHIBITION August 4th through September 9th

EARLY LYME ARTISTS EXHIBITION
September 22nd through October 27th

INVITATION RECEPTION September 22nd



LYME ART ASSOCIATION LYME STREET, OLD LYME, CONN. The members of the Lyme Art Association, Inc. pay tribute to the memory of Miss Florence Griswold. Because of her deep interest in art and her benevolence and generosity, she made possible the use of her spacious home for many artists who wished to baint in this incinity.

Miss Florence, a gracious lady with a friendly personality, stimulated a rare community group spirit among the artists. This group, including many famous American landscape painters, formed the nucleus of the present Lyme Art Association, Inc.

For over a century the lower Connecticut River Valley has a long inspiration, found in the region around Old Lyme an abundance of natural beauty. Through his work and enthusiasm for the material he had discovered, he excited the interest of a few of his fellow artists in landscape painting in this area.

Two years later this small group held a two-day exhibition in the Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library and thereby pioneered America's first summer arts how. The proceeds from the fifty cents admission charge were donated to the library. (A circulating library existed in Lyme as early as 1781.

The following year, 1903, the poster announcing the second annual three-day exhibition listed nineteen exhibitors and a train schedule to and from Hartford, New Haven and New London, with a footnote stating "A stage will carry visitors to and from the trains free of charge."

With a gradually extending exhibition period and a growing membership of nationally known and distinguished artists these shows continued to be held in the Public Library until 1921, when the present gallery designed by Charles Platt was inaugurated. This gallery has the unique distinction of being the first art gallery known to have been built and financed entirely by the artists themselves.

Since the Lyme Art Association has always been a non-profit group, the gallery associates and the active artists have sponsored the annual shows. The Association invites exhibitors, who live within a 20-mile distance of the gallery, to submit their work to an all-member artist jury for the Spring and Summer exhibitions. The Fall exhibition features the work of member artists exclusively.

AN INVITATION

As the Association is not endowed it is obliged to depend upon the kind support of interested people. Therefore you are cordially invited to join as either an Associate, Contributing or Fellow member. All such members receive season tickets covering the five annual exhibitions and also invitations to each of the opening parties.

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